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BEAVERTON CIVIC THEATRE CELEBRATES ITS FIFTH SEASON WITH A RETROSPECTIVE PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT

BEAVERTON, Ore. – Through June, the Beaverton Arts Commission (BAC) will feature works by Beaverton resident Ammon Riley, Don Jacobson and Barbara Dogget at Beaverton City Hall (4755 SW Griffith Drive).

"The residents of Beaverton never cease to impress me with their artistic talents," said Mayor Denny Doyle. "We have some wonderful pieces on display this month and I encourage you to come by and view them."

First and Third Floor: Riley's photographs represent the Beaverton Civic Theatre's past 22 productions: Psycho Beach Party, The Odd Couple, Happily Ever Once Upon, Blithe Spirit, It's A Wonderful Life (a live radio show), The Nerd, The Fantasticks, Dearly Departed, A Christmas Carol, Bus Stop, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, Three Murders and It's Only Monday, Happy Hollandaise, Camelot, You're A Good Man Charlie Brown (performed with two casts), The Miracle Worker, Steel Magnolias, Suite Surrender, Harvey, and Every Christmas Story Ever Told (and then some!).

A public reception will be held on Wednesday, June 12 from 5:45-8 p.m. in the lobby of City Hall.

Founded in 2009, the Beaverton Civic Theatre involves the community on stage, behind the scenes and in the audience. Over the past five years, the BCT has performed for more than 11,750 people, provided roles for more than 200 actors and engaged more than 600 volunteers.

The BCT recently won the State and Regional awards at the American Association of Community Theatre's AACTFest with its production of The Miracle Worker.

Second Floor: Jacobson, a member of the Portland Photographers Forum and the Interim Group, revels in capturing life through a lens. Jacobson's subject matter is limitless and



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anything that appeals to his eye is fair game. For more information, please visit www.donjacobsonphoto.com.

Third Floor pedestals: Doggett, a 30 year resident of Beaverton, has been creating bead necklaces from precious and semi-precious stone for the past 10 years. Her work has been available at area bazaars and markets, most recently at the Beaverton Last Tuesday at The Round. Her exhibit features work in Lapis, Turquoise, and Jade as well as Pearl necklaces.

Beaverton City Hall is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. All artworks are for sale.

The Beaverton Arts Commission also has revolving art exhibits at Providence St. Vincent Hospital (9205 Southwest Barnes Road), Cedar Hills Recreation Center (11640 SW Park Way), Progress Ridge New Seasons (14805 SW Barrows Road), and the Artisan Salon (4430 SW Lombard Avenue). For more information, please contact Elaine Orcutt at 503-526-2299 or eorcutt@BeavertonOregon.gov.

The BAC contributes significantly to the quality of life in Beaverton by presenting artistic and cultural events that celebrate community values and help connect residents to their artistic and cultural heritage. The BAC presents annual events such as Last Tuesdays, the Visual Arts Showcase and Ten Tiny Dances. In addition, the BAC leads public art projects, including Beaverton's mural program. For more information about the Beaverton Arts Commission, visit www.BeavertonArts.org, call 503-526-2288 or the event information line at 503-526-2379.

In 2013, Beaverton was again recognized as the safest city in Oregon. Since 2007, Beaverton has been named one of the safest cities in the Northwest. In 2012, the city was awarded the Mayors' Climate Protection Award from the U.S. Conference of Mayors. It was one of just four cities of its size recently recognized as a "Smarter City" energy leader by the Natural Resources Defense Council and one of the 100 Best Places to Live in America by Money magazine. In addition, Beaverton was named one of the best places to raise kids by BusinessWeek magazine, an All-America City finalist, as one of the top 25 Suburbs for Retirement by Forbes.com, one of the 100 Best Walking Cities in America by *Prevention* magazine, the **Recycler of the Year** from the Association of Oregon Recyclers, a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation, a Bronze Award Bicycle Friendly Community designation by the League of American Bicyclists and as one of the Environmental Protection Agency's Green Power Communities, the Beaverton Community Vision program was named Public Involvement Project of the Year—Best Planning **Project** by the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) Cascade Chapter. Beaverton also enjoys one of the most diverse populations in Oregon. For more information, please visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov or follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CityofBeaverton.

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